

## Poverty

- In Kentucky, 15.8% of persons are in poverty, 9.0% of persons in Northern Kentucky are in poverty. Poverty for families is slightly less than for persons, 12.7% and 7.1% respectively. For each type of family and work experience, poverty rates are lower in Northern Kentucky than in Kentucky.
- Married-couple families are less likely to be in poverty than other families, 3.3% vs. 20.9%, in Northern Kentucky. Over one-fifth of families are not comprised of married-couples. Though for other families where the householder worked full-time, the poverty rate is much lower, 1.9% for males householders and 5.8% for female householders.
- The first chart on the next page shows the percentage of people below poverty by family type and work experience. It's of no surprise that very few married-couple families with both the householder and spouse working full-time, year-round are in poverty, 0.3% in Kentucky.
- In Northern Kentucky, 7.7% of persons aged 18-64 were in poverty in 1999 (Census 2000). For children, the poverty rate was 12.6% and for those over the age of 65, 9.2% were in poverty.

Poverty status in 1999 by family type and work experience of householder

	Kentucky				Northern Kentucky WIA			
	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty
Total families:	1,110,426	969,907	140,519	12.7%	104,625	97,219	7,406	7.1%
Married-couple family:	870,930	801,655	69,275	8.0%	82,182	79,471	2,711	3.3%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999:	497,284	487,092	10,192	2.0%	54,118	53,621	497	0.9%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	221,746	221,036	710	0.3%	24,047	24,007	40	0.2%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	154,810	152,666	2,144	1.4%	18,681	18,560	121	0.6%
Spouse did not work in 1999	120,728	113,390	7,338	6.1%	11,390	11,054	336	2.9%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999:	167,314	149,004	18,310	10.9%	14,074	13,358	716	5.1%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	49,397	48,526	871	1.8%	5,170	5,152	18	0.3%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	61,761	55,226	6,535	10.6%	4,863	4,632	231	4.8%
Spouse did not work in 1999	56,156	45,252	10,904	19.4%	4,041	3,574	467	11.6%
Householder did not work in 1999:	206,332	165,559	40,773	19.8%	13,990	12,492	1,498	10.7%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	33,054	31,062	1,992	6.0%	2,655	2,562	93	3.5%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	33,182	26,677	6,505	19.6%	2,494	2,200	294	11.8%
Spouse did not work in 1999	140,096	107,820	32,276	23.0%	8,841	7,730	1,111	12.6%
Other family:	239,496	168,252	71,244	29.7%	22,443	17,748	4,695	20.9%
Male householder, no wife present:	56,411	45,824	10,587	18.8%	5,959	5,317	642	10.8%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999	28,563	27,097	1,466	5.1%	3,438	3,373	65	1.9%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	13,137	9,767	3,370	25.7%	1,435	1,157	278	19.4%
Householder did not work in 1999	14,711	8,960	5,751	39.1%	1,086	787	299	27.5%
Female householder, no husband present:	183,085	122,428	60,657	33.1%	16,484	12,431	4,053	24.6%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999	68,199	61,709	6,490	9.5%	7,277	6,856	421	5.8%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	53,433	28,541	24,892	46.6%	4,950	3,001	1,949	39.4%
Householder did not work in 1999	61,453	32,178	29,275	47.6%	4,257	2,574	1,683	39.5%

Poverty status in 1999 by age

	Kentucky				Northern Kentucky WIA			
	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty
All Persons:	3,927,047	3,305,951	621,096	15.8%	385,932	351,378	34,554	9.0%
Under 5 years	261,914	201,590	60,324	23.0%	28,387	24,405	3,982	14.0%
5 years	52,707	41,160	11,547	21.9%	5,742	5,110	632	11.0%
6 to 11 years	332,125	261,850	70,275	21.2%	35,382	31,242	4,140	11.7%
12 to 17 years	331,489	270,088	61,401	18.5%	34,032	30,546	3,486	10.2%
18 to 64 years	2,472,272	2,122,200	350,072	14.2%	242,518	223,870	18,648	7.7%
65 to 74 years	271,101	237,961	33,140	12.2%	23,060	21,434	1,626	7.1%
75 years and over	205,439	171,102	34,337	16.7%	16,811	14,771	2,040	12.1%

Source: Census 2000 (SF 3, PCT60 and P87)